

**IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

_____ day _____, 2013

PRESENT: Supervisors

ABSENT:

**RESOLUTION NO.
RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JOE SCHWARTZ
ON HIS CENTENNIAL BIRTHDAY**

The following resolution is hereby offered and read:

Whereas, Atascadero resident Joe Schwartz is an internationally recognized Folk Photographer whose work focuses on the condition of the poor and downtrodden in an effort to prove the high value of all individuals and to show the social and economic injustice of the times; and,

Whereas, the photographic works of Joe Schwartz documenting the “have-nots” of America from the 1930’s to the 1980’s will become the first and permanent exhibit of the Smithsonian Institution’s 19th and final museum, the National Museum of African American History and Culture; and,

Whereas, as a member of the legendary Photo League, Joe Schwartz shared with its members a commitment to portraying the lives of America’s working people in their urban environment, and these commitments often extended to the realistic portrayal of African-Americans; and,

Whereas, Joe Schwartz’s book, Folk Photography - Poem's I've Never Written, published in 2000, includes many depictions of street scenes and neighborhood life in integrated settings with great depth and passion; and,

Whereas, Joe Schwartz will turn 100 during 2013, the City of Atascadero’s Centennial year, and that both Centennials will be highlighted with exhibits of Joe’s work along with displays of Atascadero’s history in Atascadero City Hall from February 12-15, 2013, for the public to enjoy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of San Luis Obispo, does hereby recognize and commend Joe Schwartz, one of Atascadero’s most beloved and respected citizens, for his lifelong dedication as an artist who sought to inspire all of us to see and appreciate the humanity in ourselves and in others.

Upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by
Supervisor _____, and on the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

The foregoing resolution is hereby adopted.

ATTESTS:

Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Deputy Clerk